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In re application of Docket No: Q92843 Masaru KANEKO Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned Appln. No.: Not yet assigned Confirmation No.: Not yet assigned Examiner: Not yet assigned Filed: January 24, 2006 For: ICEBREAKER AND CHANNEL HAVING THE ICEBREAKER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS ......2

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